

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2156

Introduced by Assembly Member Wagner

February 23, 2012

An act to amend Section 1200 of the Evidence Code, relating to evidence.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2156, as introduced, Wagner. Evidence: admissibility of statements: hearsay rule.

Existing law, known as the hearsay rule, provides that, at a hearing, evidence of a statement that was made other than by a witness while testifying at the hearing and that is offered to prove the truth of the matter stated is inadmissible. Existing law also provides exceptions to the hearsay rule to permit the admission of specified kinds of evidence.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1200 of the Evidence Code is amended
2 to read:
3 1200. (a) "Hearsay evidence" is evidence of a statement that
4 was made other than by a witness while testifying at the hearing
5 and that is offered to prove the truth of the matter stated.
6 (b) Except as provided by law, hearsay evidence is inadmissible.

1 (c) This section shall be known, and may be cited, as the hearsay
2 rule.

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